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Examiner: Ramnandan Singh)
Inventor: Dieter Schulz, et al.)
Serial No.: 09/965,881)
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For: Noise Level Calculator for Echo)
Canceller)

AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Please amend the above-referenced application as follows. Any resulting fees should be charged to Jones Day Deposit Account No. 501432, ref: 481340-010039.

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A method of calculating noise level in a signal, comprising the steps of:
accumulating two sample windows of said signal;
calculating energy of said signal within each of said sample windows;